

CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

INFORMATIVE NOTE

Date 1/22/82Re:

THREAT AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN AND
 CONGRESSMAN SIDNEY R. YATES OF
 ILLINOIS; EXTORTION;
 OO: CHICAGO

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Attached Washington Field Office teletype advises of the receipt by Congressman Yates' office of a letter containing threats against the lives of President Reagan and Congressman Yates. The return address given as captioned subject at

Chicago is conducting investigation. U. S. Secret Service advised.

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- 1 - Mr. Mullen
- 1 - Mr. S. Andrews
- 1 - Mr. Young
- 1 - Mr. Monroe

RDW:jey

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MESSAGE RELAY VIA TELETYPE

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DATE 1/22/82	CLASSIFICATION UNCLAS	PRECEDENCE ROUTINE
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(SERVICE ALSO AVAILABLE TO GOVERNMENT AGENCIES NOT LISTED. ☐
 CONTACT COMMUNICATIONS CENTER FOR ADDRESSING INFORMATION) ☐
 SUBJECT:

THREAT AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN AND
CONGRESSMAN SIDNEY R. YATES OF ILLINOIS; EXTORTION

APPROVED BY <i>Camp</i>	ORIGINATOR RDW:jey	ROOM 5096/6	TELE EXT. 4294
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USE OF FORM 0-73

1. Only incoming teletype messages which require transmission relay may be prepared for transmission using form 0-73. Use of form 0-73 is restricted to incoming teletype messages received within the last 3 days which require transmission relay; all other teletype messages must be prepared using form 0-93.
2. Additions such as notes and administrative data for a specific addressee are not allowed. If a note or administrative data is required for a particular addressee a separate 0-73 form must be prepared.
3. The message will be transmitted just as it appears. The person approving the message is solely responsible for assuring all necessary editing changes have been made.

PREPARATION OF FORM WHICH CONSISTS OF A PREPRINTED YELLOW.

1. Complete appropriate boxes: date, classification & precedence.
2. List addresses immediately following the "TO" or place a check mark in the appropriate boxes.
3. Type or PRINT the subject in the space provided.
4. Print or type originator's name, room number and telephone extension.
5. Indicate approval for transmission by initialing the "Approved By" box.

PREPARATION OF MESSAGE TO BE TRANSMITTED

1. Xerox 1 copy of incoming teletype message. A notation shall be made on the original incoming teletype "1 copy made for relay to SACS _____, (OR LEGATS) _____, (OR GOVERNMENT AGENCIES) _____."
2. Minor editing changes shall be made on the xerox as follows: using a lead pencil ONLY draw single line through the first and last lines of the heading and connect these lines from top right to bottom left forming a "Z," figure. (DO NOT OBLITERATE THE HEADING.) Use horizontal lines to delete sentences or words. Printed changes of a word or two to the text of the message may be made; however, changes to the existing text involving more than a word or two necessitate the originator to initiate a new message using form 0-93.
3. Administrative data or notes may be typed immediately following the text and will be transmitted to all addressees.
4. When using the 0-73 form to disseminate information to field offices, Legal Attaches and other Government agencies simultaneously, the text, notes and administrative data must be identical for all addressees.

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OFFICE OF THE
DIRECTOR
OF INTELLIGENCE

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FEDERAL BUREAU
OF INVESTIGATION

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[REDACTED] THREAT AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN AND

CONGRESSMAN SIDNEY R. YATES OF ILLINOIS, EXTORTION,

BY TELETYPE DATED 1/21/82, FBI, WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE FURNISHED THE FOLLOWING:

~~FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU AND CHICAGO, DEAN PURVIS,~~

S. CAPITOL POLICE, WASHINGTON, D. C. (WDC), ADVISED ON

JANUARY 21, 1982, THAT CONGRESSMAN YATES' OFFICE RECEIVED

A THREATENING LETTER ON JANUARY 20, 1982. THE ENVELOPE

HAD A RETURN ADDRESS OF [REDACTED]

AT THE BOTTOM OF THE

LETTER WAS WRITTEN, "I AM A COMMUNIST SET OUT TO KILL

REAGAN, YATES AND ALL OF YOU MOTHER FUCKERS. SIDNEY SMITS

YATES. JANUARY 21 REAGAN WILL DIE YOU WILL SEE, DON'T TAKE

A LIPSHIT IT WILL HAPPEN."

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INVESTIGATOR HE WAS ADVISED BY J. J. SAC AT
CHICAGO THAT HE PROVIDED HIM A COPY OF THE LETTER AND
ENVELOPE. HE HAS PROVIDED THE FBI WITH A COPY OF
THE LETTER AND ENVELOPE.

THE LETTER AND ENVELOPE IS BEING FORWARDED TO
CHICAGO DIVISION.

CHICAGO DIVISION. AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AND PRESENT
MATTER FOR PROSECUTION.

IF FEASIBLE PROVIDE WASHINGTON FIELD WITH PHOTO
OF SUBJECT.

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FM WASHINGTON FIELD (9A-4722) (P)

TO DIRECTOR FBI ROUTINE

FBI CHICAGO ROUTINE

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[REDACTED] THREAT AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN AND
CONGRESSMAN SIDNEY R. YATES OF ILLINOIS, EXTORTION,
OO:CHICAGO

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JAN 27 1982

JAN 29 1982

0-73 to USSS
1-22-82

RDW: jay

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[REDACTED] STATED THAT HE WAS ADVISED BY U. S. SECRET SERVICE, AND THEY PROVIDED HIM A COPY OF THE LETTER AND ENVELOPE. [REDACTED] PROVIDED THE FBI WITH A COPY OF THE LETTER AND ENVELOPE.

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COPY OF LETTER AND ENVELOPE IS BEING FORWARDED TO CHICAGO BY TELECOPIES.

LEAD. CHICAGO DIVISION. AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS.

1. WILL CONDUCT APPROPRIATE INVESTIGATION AND PRESENT TO AUSA FOR PROSECUTION.

2. IF FEASIBLE PROVIDE WASHINGTON FIELD WITH PHOTO OF SUBJECT.

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OF INVESTIGATION

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FM CHICAGO (9-7445) (P) (SQUAD 3)

TO DIRECTOR ROUTINE

INFO (9-4722) ROUTINE

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CHANGED TO:

THREAT AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN AND CONGRESSMAN SYDNEY R.

YATES OF ILLINOIS - EXTORTION, OO: CHICAGO.

TITLE FORMERLY READ

THREAT AGAINST

PRESIDENT REAGAN AND CONGRESSMAN SYDNEY R. YATES OF ILLINOIS -
EXTORTION, OO: CHICAGO.

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FOR INFORMATION OF BUREAU AND WASHINGTON FIELD, CHICAGO

OFFICE HAS CHANGED TITLE INTEROFFICE BASED UPON INVESTIGATION

AT CHICAGO, ILLINOIS. SUBJECT

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LBS.

HAIR,

EYES, SSN

HIGH SCHOOL DROP OUT; AND SUBJECT

MALE,

DOB

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[REDACTED] HAIR, [REDACTED]

EYES [REDACTED]

LES. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, WERE BOTH INTERVIEWED

BY BUAGENTS IN PRESENCE OF PARENTS WHERE BOTH ADMITTED
THEIR CULPABILITY IN CO-AUTHORING THE LETTER TO CONGRESSMAN
YATES. BOTH STATED IT WAS DONE AS AN ATTEMPT TO EMBARASS

[REDACTED]
THIS IS RELATED TO A PERSONAL CONFLICT BETWEEN THE SUBJECTS
AND [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] INTERVIEW WITH [REDACTED]

CONFIRM THIS. RECORDS CHECK ON SUBJECTS REVEAL ONE EACH PRIOR
CONTACT WITH THE CHICAGO PD YOUTH DIVISION. BOTH CONTACTS WERE
MINOR IN NATURE AND WERE STATION ADJUSTED WITHOUT FORMAL
PROCESSING OR REFERRAL. CHECKS OF THE [REDACTED] REVEALS
NEGATIVE RESULTS ON INDICES, CHICAGO PD RECORDS, AND STATE OF
ILLINOIS BUREAU OF IDENTIFICATION RECORDS. [REDACTED]

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WAS PREVIOUSLY LISTED AS A RUNAWAY ON [REDACTED] WITH
CHICAGO PD REFERENCED THE ABOVE INCIDENT. SHE RETURNED HOME ON

[REDACTED]
BOTH SUBJECT AND THEIR PARENTS WERE APPRISED OF THE
SERIOUSNESS OF THE SITUATION AND THE POSSIBLE CONSEQUENCES OF

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THEIR ACTS. ALL AGREED THEY HAD ACTED IRRESPONSIBLY AND IMMATURELY AND WOULD NOT REPEAT ANY SUCH ACTIONS IN THE FUTURE. BOTH SUBJECTS OFFERED TO WRITE A LETTER OF APOLOGY TO CONGRESSMAN YATES ON THEIR OWN INITIATIVE.

IN VIEW OF THE PRANK NATURE OF THE ABOVE INCIDENT, THAT NO INTENT TO CARRY OUT THE THREAT WAS EVER VIABLE, AND THAT BOTH SUBJECTS ARE JUVENILES WHO APPEAR TO BE PENITENT, CHICAGO WILL NOT BE FORMERLY PRESENTING THE ABOVE VIOLATION TO THE U.S. ATTORNEY FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS. COVER AIRTEL WITH INVESTIGATIVE INSERTS CONTAINING DETAILS TO FOLLOW.

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TRANSMIT VIA:

☐ Teletype
☐ Facsimile
☒ AIRTEL

PRECEDENCE:

☐ Immediate
☐ Priority
☐ Routine

CLASSIFICATION:

☒ TOP SECRET
☒ SECRET
☒ CONFIDENTIAL
☒ UNCLAS E F T O
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Date 2/11/82

TO: DIRECTOR, FBI

FROM: ACTING SAC, CHICAGO (9A-7445) (C) (SQUAD 3)

THREAT AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN *cc*
 AND CONGRESSMAN SIDNEY R. YATES *cc*
 OF ILLINOIS - EXTORTION
 OO:CHICAGO

Re Chicago teletype to WFO and Bureau dated 2/8/82.

Enclosed for Bureau and WFO are two copies each of
 an LHM setting forth the details of the above investigation.

Subject number one is described as follows:

Name
 Sex
 Race
 Height
 Weight
 Hair
 Eyes
 Date of Birth
 Scars, Marks or
 Tattoos
 SSAN
 Home Address
 Education Level

None visible

(2) - Bureau (Encl. 2) *ENCLOSURE*
 2 - WFO (Encl. 2) (9A-4722)
 2 - Chicago
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LHM to user
62 APR 1 1982 LHM + 1 Airtel to 5896
JFM/dei 2-22-82

7 FEB 22 1982

Approved: *JRB*

Transmitted _____

(Number)

(Time)

Per *[Signature]*b6
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Mother

Subject number two is described as follows:

Name

Sex

Race

Height

Weight

Hair

Eyes

Date of Birth

Place of Birth

Scars, marks

and tattoos

Home Address

Home Phone

Educational

Level

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None visible

Mother

Same address and phone
number as above

In view of the fact that both subjects are juveniles and possess neither the intent or the capability of carrying out their written threats and have shown a sincere regret for their actions in the above case and all logical investigations having been conducted, Chicago now considers this file administratively closed.



U.S. Department of Justice

Federal Bureau of Investigation

In Reply, Please Refer to
File No.

Chicago, Illinois
February 11, 1982

[REDACTED]
THREAT AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN
AND CONGRESSMAN SIDNEY R. YATES
OF ILLINOIS - EXTORTION

On January 21, 1982, the Washington Field Office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) was advised by [REDACTED] United States Capital Police, Washington, D.C. that Congressman Yates' Office received a threatening letter on January 20, 1982. [REDACTED] provided the FBI with a copy of the letter and envelope. A copy of the letter and envelope was then forwarded to the Chicago Division of the FBI by telecopies. On January 21, 1982, the Chicago Division of the FBI then opened an investigation under the extortion statute, Title 18, United States Code, Section 876 (3), in that a message containing a threat to kidnap or injure any person was delivered or caused to be delivered by the postal service. Subsequent investigation by Chicago at Chicago revealed the following facts:

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Two subjects were developed in the above investigation. Subject number one is [REDACTED] juvenile; subject number two is [REDACTED] juvenile. Both subjects were interviewed by Special Agents (SAs) of the FBI in the presence of their parents, where both admitted their culpability in co-authoring the letter to Congressman Yates. Both stated it was done as an attempt to embarrass [REDACTED] of Chicago, Illinois. This is related to a personal conflict between the subjects and [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] A previous interview with [REDACTED] confirmed this fact. Record checks on the subjects reveal that each one had a prior contact with the Chicago Police Department Youth Division. Both of these contacts were minor in nature and were station adjusted without formal processing or referral to the Juvenile Court System. Checks concerning [REDACTED] background

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were negative concerning Chicago Division information and files, Chicago Police Department records, and the State of Illinois, Bureau of Identification Records. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] however, was previously listed as a runaway on [REDACTED] with the Chicago Police Department Youth Division, which was related to the above incident and may indeed have caused it. She returned home on [REDACTED]

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Both subjects and their parents were apprised of the seriousness of the situation and the possible consequences of their acts. All agreed they had acted irresponsible and immaturely and would not repeat any such actions in the future. Both subjects offered to write a letter of apology to Congressman Yates on their own initiative, and also offered to deliver in person an apology to the [REDACTED] residence.

In view of the nature of the above incident, that there was no viable attempt to carry out the threat, and that both subjects are juveniles who appear to be penitent, Chicago Division of the FBI will not be formerly presenting the above violation to the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois for prosecution.

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FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATION MESSAGE FORM

3/23/82

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FM DIRECTOR FBI

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THREAT AGAINST PRESIDENT REAGAN AND CONGRESSMAN SIDNEY R. YATES;
EXTORTION

OO: CHICAGO

REWFOTEL TO BUREAU AND CHICAGO DATED JANUARY 21, 1982.

CHICAGO SUBMIT RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION AND OPINION OF
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY IN CAPTIONED MATTER TO BUREAU AND
WASHINGTON FIELD OFFICE.

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1 - MR. WATSON

FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION
COMMUNICATIONS CENTER

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